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RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2009, and having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on April 2, 2009. Applicant submits the following response in the above-identified application. Also submitted with this response is a Request for Continued Examination and Request for a 1-month Extension, with the required fees, to extend the period of reply to May 2, 2009. Applicant believes this response places the application in better condition for allowance.

In the Office Action, dated January 2, 2009, the Examiner states that Claims 1-40 and 45-63 are pending and rejected.

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